Central and State authorities concerned. The intelligence machinery has been geared up. Repeated co-ordinated operations like 'KAL BHAIRAV' will, no doubt, unearth the internal and foreign links of the drug traffickers in course of time.

903. (Withdrawn).

904. (Withdrawn).

Workshop on World Bank Credit for Engineering Exports

905. SHRI RAMCHANDRA BHARADWAJ:
SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN:
SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a workshop on World Bank credit for engineering exports was held in New Delhi on or about January 10, 1986;

(b) if so, what were the main conclusions arrived at the workshop and suggestions and observations made thereat; and

(c) what is the Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. A workshop on World Bank Credit for Engineering Exports was held in New Delhi on 10th January, 1986. The main objective of the Workshop was to advise industry of the World Bank loan for $250 million, which has been negotiated by Government of India, and the components thereof. At the workshop, details of loan components, the *modus operandi* for managing the loan and how industry could utilise this loan was discussed.

Production and export plans of individual "Thrust" industries

906. SHRI RAMCHANDRA BHARADWAJ:
SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have undertaken a detailed exercise to draw up production and export plans of individual "thrust" industries identified by the D. V. Kapoor Committee;

(b) if so, what are the recommendations of the D. V. Kapoor Committee in this regard and the details of the exercise undertaken by Government; and

(c) whether any new policy initiatives in the areas of production and export marketing have been or are likely to be announced by Government, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Committee has recommended a two pronged strategy for achieving a quantum jump in engineering exports, namely:—

(i) continuation and strengthening of the existing broad system of incentives for exports;

(ii) Providing the 'thrust industries' a special policy environment keeping in view the considerations of optimum scales of production, technological upgradation, modernisation and competition with a view to make these industries internationally competitive. Detailed exercises for drawing up production and export plans for individual 'thrust industries' are being

undertaken by Commerce and Industry Ministries in consultation with other ministries. The Government has also taken a series of measures for liberalisation of industrial licensing policies and introduction of new technologies with a view to increase the international competitiveness of domestic industry. Decision has also been taken to extend the cash compensatory scheme beyond 31-3-86 and provide for compensation to industry for the cascading effect of domestic taxes. Additionally, alloys and other types of steels have been included in the International Price Reimbursement Scheme to provide steel materials at international price for export production. The Import-Export Passbook scheme has been introduced with effect from 1-1-86 for manufacturer-exporters with a view to provide easy access to duty free imports for export production.

Raids to unearth Black Money

907. SHRI RAMCHANDRA BHARADWAJ:
SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN:
SHRI BHAGAT RAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of raids conducted by the various agencies and authorities to unearth black money during the past three months; and

(b) what are the details of black money including foreign exchange, gold jewellery and incriminating documents seized during these raids?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) During the last three months *i.e.* November, 1985 to January, 1986 Income-tax Department conducted 1777 searches and seized, *prima-facie*, unaccounted assets worth Rs. 16.64 crores approximately including cash of Rs. 3.79 crores and jewellery worth Rs. 8.92 crores approximately apart from a large number of incriminating documents.

The Enforcement Directorate conducted 1041 searches during the same period and seized foreign currency equivalent to Indian Rs. 67.58 lakhs.

Recovery of Excise Duty from Hindustan Aluminium Company Limited

908. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have inquired into the working of Hindustan Aluminium Company Limited, Mirzapur;

(b) whether this Company has been found under invoicing, evading payment of excise duty, sales tax and income tax and that more than Rs. 400 crores have been outstanding against the company towards excise duty; and

(c) if so, what action Government have taken against the company for the recovery of this amount which has been outstanding since long?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Visit of MMTC Executives to Japan

909. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some top executives of the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation visited Japan during the